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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SHARING INVESTOR INFORMATION OVER AN ELECTRONIC NETWORK				
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 17, 2006

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2006, thus extending the due date for this Response from January 17, 2007 to April 17, 2007. The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$510. Please charge the required fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

In response to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2006, the following remarks are respectfully submitted.

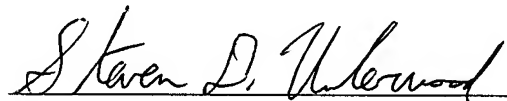
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Harris teaches a system for processing transactions for mutual funds. See, for example, column 3, lines 7-54. The system of Harris is completely unrelated to that of the pending claims.¹ As with Bettis and Gatto, Harris fails to teach or suggest ranking sources of information according to level of trustworthiness. Consequently, the rejection of claim 7 should be reconsidered and withdrawn. A section 103 rejection requires each and every claim limitation to be taught by at least one of the cited references.

No fee is believed due with this Response, other than the extension fee authorized above. However, please charge any other required fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

April 17, 2007

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Steven D. Underwood", written over a horizontal line.

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¹ Applicant reserves the right to argue that the cited references are non-analogous.